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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RAMON FONTANEZ, :

Individually and On Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff, : <u>ORDER</u>

-v- : 22-CV-5429 (AT) (JLC)

PETLAB CO.,

Defendant. : -----X

JAMES L. COTT, United States Magistrate Judge.

By Order of Reference dated August 25, 2022 (Dkt. No. 17), Judge Torres referred this case to me for settlement. The parties are directed to advise the Court within 30 days when they wish to schedule the settlement conference. The parties should do so by filing a letter-motion on the docket that indicates at least three dates that are mutually convenient for the parties. Alternatively, counsel are free to e-mail my deputy clerk, David Tam, at David_Tam@nysd.uscourts.gov to find a mutually convenient date for the parties and the Court.

The settlement conference can be conducted either via video conferencing or in-person. When advising the Court as to their preferred scheduling dates, the parties should indicate which format they prefer. If video conference is requested, the Court will provide additional information about the logistics in advance of the conference. An in-person conference will be permitted only if all participants in the

conference (attorneys, clients, and any interpreters) comply with the Court's most recent COVID-19 Protocol (available at https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/covid-19-coronavirus). For avoidance of doubt, all parties must agree to proceeding by video conference or an in-person conference and make a joint application for the method that is preferred.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 25, 2022 New York, New York

VAMES L. COTT

United States Magistrate Judge